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## INDEX NUMBERS OF PRICES RECEIVED BY TEXAS FARMERS AND RANCHERS

Commodities	1990-92 = 100		
	November 2002	October 2003 *	November 2003
All farm products . . . . .	89	111	113
All crops . . . . .	85	100	102
Livestock and products . .	92	117	119

\* Revised.

## AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS AND RANCHERS

Commodity and Unit	Texas			United States			U. S. parity prices
	November 2002 <sup>1</sup>	October 2003 <sup>1</sup>	November 2003 <sup>2</sup>	November 2002 <sup>1</sup>	October 2003 <sup>1</sup>	November 2003 <sup>2</sup>	November 2003 <sup>3</sup>
CROPS							
Barley . . . . . Dollars per bushel	-	-	-	2.79	2.77	2.56	6.65
Corn . . . . . Dollars per bushel	2.67	2.54	2.49	2.28	2.12	2.24	6.71
Cotton, Upland . . . . . Cents per pound	38.9	60.2	62.7	43.0	68.0	64.1	173.0
Cottonseed . . . . . Dollars per ton	109.00	110.00	142.00	100.00	104.00	121.00	269.00
Grapefruit, all, 80-lb. . . . . Dollars per box <sup>4</sup>	3.89	9.34	4.52	3.31	6.30	3.71	6.70
Hay, alfalfa, baled . . . . . Dollars per ton	160.00	160.00	152.00	101.00	88.80	88.00	-
Hay, other, baled . . . . . Dollars per ton	62.00	70.00	60.00	73.90	71.40	64.90	-
Hay, all, baled . . . . . Dollars per ton	74.00	83.00	72.00	93.20	84.40	80.70	-
Oats . . . . . Dollars per bushel	-	-	-	1.91	1.44	1.37	4.19
Oranges, all, 85-lb. . . . . Dollars per box <sup>4</sup>	4.23	11.35	4.64	3.11	3.28	2.23	9.84
Peanuts . . . . . Cents per pound	-	-	-	18.0	18.5	18.9	67.0
Potatoes . . . . . Dollars per cwt	-	14.10	-	6.38	4.67	5.17	14.00
Rice . . . . . Dollars per cwt	-	-	-	3.70	6.44	6.49	26.90
Sorghum grain . . . . . Dollars per cwt	4.21	4.11	4.11	4.40	3.99	4.09	11.40
Soybeans . . . . . Dollars per bushel	-	-	-	5.46	6.61	7.37	14.70
Sweetpotatoes . . . . . Dollars per cwt	-	-	-	-	-	-	37.80
Wheat . . . . . Dollars per bushel	4.02	3.26	3.55	4.25	3.45	3.69	9.82
LIVESTOCK AND PRODUCTS							
Beef cattle . . . . . Dollars per cwt <sup>5</sup>	67.10	87.70	88.90	67.30	92.00	93.20	163.00
Cows . . . . . Dollars per cwt <sup>6</sup>	32.80	40.40	43.50	33.00	44.90	46.70	-
Steers and heifers . . . . . Dollars per cwt	70.90	93.50	93.90	71.90	97.80	99.70	-
Calves . . . . . Dollars per cwt	92.10	109.00	108.00	91.90	113.00	112.00	219.00
Milk cows . . . . . Dollars per head <sup>7</sup>	-	1,460	-	-	1,370	-	-
Hogs . . . . . Dollars per cwt	24.80	36.50	36.20	27.80	36.80	34.80	104.00
Lambs . . . . . Dollars per cwt <sup>8</sup>	86.70	95.10	-	84.00	96.90	-	188.00
Sheep . . . . . Dollars per cwt <sup>8</sup>	39.40	37.60	-	31.30	34.80	-	80.30
Broilers . . . . . Cents per pound <sup>9</sup>	-	-	-	28.0	37.0	37.0	-
Eggs . . . . . Cents per dozen <sup>10</sup>	62.0	87.0	93.0	55.9	70.3	92.6	161.0
Turkeys, live . . . . . Cents per pound	-	-	-	39.8	38.6	40.7	99.9
All milk sold to plants . . . . . Dollars per cwt <sup>11</sup>	12.80	15.70	15.70	11.90	15.00	14.90	34.00

<sup>1</sup> Entire month. <sup>2</sup> Mid-month. <sup>3</sup> 1910-1914 Base. <sup>4</sup> Equivalent on-tree price for all methods of sale. <sup>5</sup> Cows, steers and heifers combined. <sup>6</sup> Beef cows sold for slaughter and herd replacement and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter. <sup>7</sup> Milk cow (replacement) price published quarterly. <sup>8</sup> Mid-month prices not estimated. <sup>9</sup> Live weight equivalent price to producers, includes growers and contractors combined. <sup>10</sup> Market (table) eggs, including eggs sold retail by producers. <sup>11</sup> Fat test percent: October all milk, Texas 3.73, U.S. 3.72; November all milk, Texas 3.80, U.S. 3.77.

## U. S. INDEX SUMMARY TABLE

Index	1910-14 = 100			1990-92 = 100		
	November 2002	October 2003	November 2003	November 2002	October 2003	November 2003
Prices Received . . . . .	617	* 718	741	97	113	117
Prices Paid, Interest, Taxes and Farm Wage Rates . . . . .	1,661	1,725	1,726	125	130	130
Ratio <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	37	42	43	78	87	90

<sup>1</sup> Ratio of Index of Prices Received by Farmers to Index of Prices Paid, Interest, Taxes and Farm Wage Rates. \* Revised.

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# LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER AND LIVE WEIGHTS: TEXAS AND UNITED STATES <sup>1</sup>

Species	Texas			United States <sup>2</sup>		
	October 2002	September 2003	October 2003	October 2002	September 2003	October 2003
<b>HEAD SLAUGHTERED</b>	<i>Thousand head</i>					
Cattle .....	590.1	588.4	546.7	3,266.6	3,122.9	3,002.6
Calves .....	3.1	2.1	2.3	100.9	82.6	87.5
Hogs .....	39.9	36.4	39.2	9,403.6	* 8,552.8	9,638.7
Sheep and lambs .....	26.4	32.6	31.7	300.6	256.3	265.5
<b>TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT</b>	<i>Million pounds</i>					
Cattle .....	710.1	698.0	645.4	4,148.5	3,832.7	3,695.8
Calves .....	1.0	1.1	1.2	31.0	25.4	27.0
Hogs .....	10.6	10.3	11.5	2,482.8	2,245.7	2,575.9
Sheep and lambs .....	3.4	4.2	4.0	39.6	33.6	35.7

<sup>1</sup> Includes slaughter under Federal inspection and other commercial slaughter. Excludes farm slaughter. <sup>2</sup> Includes Hawaii; commercial slaughter not estimated in Alaska. \* Revised.

## POULTRY: TEXAS AND UNITED STATES

Item	Texas			United States		
	October 2002	September 2003	October 2003	October 2002	September 2003	October 2003
Average number of layers .....	18,651	18,304	18,454	338,159	*332,069	333,251
Egg production .....	413	382	396	7,412	*7,063	7,392
Table eggs <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	6,345	*6,047	6,335
Hatching eggs <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	1,067	1,016	1,057
Eggs per 100 layers .....	2,214	2,087	2,146	2,192	2,127	2,218
<b>HATCHERY PRODUCTION</b>						
Egg type <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	32,149	35,777	34,999
Broiler type .....	53,164	51,636	51,365	720,564	739,191	734,801
<b>PLACEMENTS</b>						
Turkey poults <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	23,811	*22,171	22,879

<sup>1</sup> Texas data not shown to avoid disclosing individual operations. \* Revised.

## FARM AND RANCH WORKERS, HOURS WORKED AND WAGE RATES: SOUTHERN PLAINS AND UNITED STATES

Workers	Southern Plains <sup>1</sup>			United States <sup>2</sup>		
	October 6-12, 2002	July 6-12, 2003	October 12-18, 2003	October 6-12, 2002	July 6-12, 2003	October 12-18, 2003
<b>WORKERS HIRED FOR:</b>	<i>Thousands</i>					
150 days or more .....	46	49	43	685	* 680	626
149 days or less .....	12	12	11	255	* 263	265
<b>TOTAL HIRED</b> .....	58	61	54	940	* 943	891
	<i>Hours</i>					
Hours worked .....	41.7	38.2	41.7	40.4	* 39.8	40.2
	<i>Dollars per hour</i>					
<b>WAGE RATES FOR:</b>						
All hired .....	7.57	8.15	8.01	8.95	8.88	9.05
Field workers .....	7.05	7.62	7.12	8.34	* 8.17	8.42
Livestock workers .....	7.32	7.58	7.70	8.42	* 8.57	8.64

<sup>1</sup> Oklahoma and Texas. <sup>2</sup> Excludes Alaska and agricultural service workers. \* Revised.

# FEDERALLY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER OF LIVESTOCK: TEXAS AND UNITED STATES

Species	Texas			United States		
	October 2002	September 2003	October 2003	October 2002	September 2003	October 2003
<b>CATTLE</b>	<u>1,000 head</u>			<u>1,000 head</u>		
Steers .....	282.9	294.7	265.4	1,550.3	1,494.6	1,366.6
Heifers .....	222.5	203.8	185.1	1,062.6	1,013.9	957.8
Dairy cows .....	9.8	9.7	11.2	243.2	248.2	275.9
Other cows .....	60.3	65.0	69.6	296.2	261.0	286.3
Bulls and stags .....	11.3	12.0	12.3	52.9	56.4	59.5
<b>Total</b> <sup>1</sup> .....	<b>586.7</b>	<b>585.2</b>	<b>543.6</b>	<b>3,205.2</b>	<b>3,074.1</b>	<b>2,946.0</b>
Calves .....	2.7	1.8	1.9	98.1	80.0	84.9
<b>HOGS</b>						
Barrows and gilts .....	23.5	20.7	21.8	8,959.6	8,148.3	9,222.8
Sows .....	7.7	6.0	7.1	293.4	274.8	284.6
Stags and boars .....	32.5	1.0	2.8	22.7	22.7	24.3
<b>Total</b> <sup>1</sup> .....	<b>1.3</b>	<b>27.7</b>	<b>31.7</b>	<b>9,275.7</b>	<b>8,445.9</b>	<b>9,531.7</b>
<b>SHEEP</b>						
Mature sheep .....	2.0	1.4	1.5	13.9	13.6	14.3
Lambs and yearlings .....	20.8	29.0	28.2	269.8	226.8	236.5
<b>Total</b> <sup>1</sup> .....	<b>22.9</b>	<b>30.4</b>	<b>29.8</b>	<b>283.6</b>	<b>240.5</b>	<b>250.8</b>

<sup>1</sup> Total based on unrounded data.

## POULTRY SLAUGHTER: TEXAS AND UNITED STATES <sup>1</sup>

Item	Number Inspected			Total Live Weight			Average Live Weight			Total Certified <sup>2</sup>		
	Oct. 2002	Sep. 2003*	Oct. 2003	Oct. 2002	Sep. 2003*	Oct. 2003	Oct. 2002	Sep. 2003	Oct. 2003	Oct. 2002	Sep. 2003*	Oct. 2003
<b>TEXAS</b>	<u>1,000 head</u>			<u>1,000 pounds</u>			<u>Pounds</u>			<u>1,000 pounds</u>		
Chickens:												
Young	56,919	54,223	58,293	279,210	264,294	287,918	4.91	4.87	4.94	217,397	211,343	223,419
<b>UNITED STATES</b>												
Chickens:	788,457	*740,215	790,162	4,083,167	*3,856,399	4,167,447	5.18	5.21	5.27	3,004,024	*2,857,382	3,078,582
Young	773,084	*729,180	777,869	3,999,930	*3,791,269	4,096,766	5.17	5.20	5.27	2,953,345	*2,817,221	3,035,112
Mature	15,373	*11,035	12,293	83,237	*65,130	70,681	5.41	5.90	5.75	50,679	*40,161	43,470
Light	8,390	5,037	6,022	28,010	17,261	20,624	3.34	3.43	3.42	14,362	8,815	10,470
Heavy	6,983	*5,998	6,271	55,227	*47,869	50,057	7.91	*7.98	7.98	36,317	*31,346	33,000
Ducks	2,135	2,037	2,241	14,363	13,600	15,226	6.73	6.68	6.79	10,273	10,582	11,894
Other poultry	-	-	-	2,224	*1,321	1,501	-	-	-	1,369	*811	932
Turkeys:	25,050	*22,470	25,388	669,494	*591,677	668,977	26.73	*26.33	26.35	525,867	*459,592	527,719
Young	24,772	*22,184	25,129	662,011	*583,788	662,128	26.72	*26.31	26.35	520,261	*453,579	522,209
Old	278	286	259	7,483	7,889	6,849	26.93	27.63	26.41	5,606	6,013	5,510
<b>TOTAL POULTRY</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,769,248</b>	<b>*4,462,997</b>	<b>4,853,151</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,541,533</b>	<b>*3,328,367</b>	<b>3,619,127</b>

<sup>1</sup> Federally inspected only. Total may not add due to rounding. <sup>2</sup> Ready-to-cook weight. \* Revised.

# LIVESTOCK INSHIPMENTS AND OUTSHIPMENTS, BY SPECIES: TEXAS, 2002-2003 <sup>1</sup>

Shipments by species	October	September	October	Year-to-date	
	2002	2003	2003	January - October	
				2002	2003
<b>INSHIPMENTS</b>	<i>Number of head</i>				
Cattle and Calves:					
Other states <sup>2</sup> . . . . .	342,013	288,493	353,275	2,138,479	2,245,908
Other countries <sup>3</sup> . . . . .	10,982	50,498	119,155	333,401	586,402
Dairy cattle <sup>4</sup> . . . . .	5,277	6,258	7,858	37,285	46,115
Sheep and lambs <sup>5</sup> . . . . .	24,257	3,970	9,942	100,157	82,835
<b>OUTSHIPMENTS</b>	<i>Number of head</i>				
Cattle and Calves:					
Other states <sup>6</sup> . . . . .	75,460	100,769	113,464	916,419	1,101,480
Other countries <sup>7</sup> . . . . .	5,889	368	765	55,183	13,233
Dairy cattle <sup>4</sup> . . . . .	5,078	5,061	476	22,497	17,756
Sheep and lambs <sup>8</sup> . . . . .	45,498	12,806	9,713	404,850	143,479

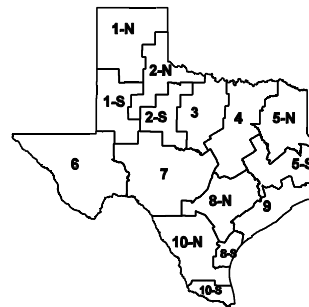
<sup>1</sup> SOURCE: Health certificates issued by TAHC and USDA/APHIS/V.S. <sup>2</sup> Inshipments of cattle and calves from other states exclude animals for slaughter. <sup>3</sup> Inshipments of cattle and calves from other countries include animals for slaughter. <sup>4</sup> Dairy herd replacement only; not included in "cattle and calves". <sup>5</sup> Inshipments of sheep and lambs reflect movement from other states only and include animals for slaughter. <sup>6</sup> Outshipments of cattle and calves to other states exclude animals for slaughter. <sup>7</sup> Outshipments of cattle and calves to other countries include animals for slaughter. <sup>8</sup> Outshipments of sheep and lambs reflect movement to other states and countries and include animals for slaughter.

## SALES OF LIVESTOCK AT AUCTION MARKETS, BY SPECIES: TEXAS, 2002-2003 <sup>1</sup>

Species	Oct. 2002	Sep. 2003	Oct. 2003	Year-to-date January-October	
				2002	2003
	<i>1,000 head</i>				
Cattle & calves . . .	496	577	604	4,028	4,377
Hogs . . . . .	9	5	8	54	74
Sheep & goats . . . .	115	119	95	1,454	1,104

<sup>1</sup> SOURCE: Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC).

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